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MEMORANDUM FOR: All National Intelligence Officers  
and Office Directors

FROM : Robert R. Bowie  
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SUBJECT : National Intelligence Requirements and  
Priorities

1. At its meeting on 25 November, the Policy Review Committee (Intelligence) discussed intelligence requirements and priorities. On the basis of that discussion, we have been able to draw up a list of National Intelligence Topics of Current Interest, which PRC(I) Principals want intelligence to address over the next six to nine months. The PRC(I) meeting will be discussed at NFIB today, and the list of Topics will be distributed for NFIB Principals' information.

2. We expect to take the list of Topics back to the PRC(I) in the near future to ask the Principals to assign some priority among the various Topics. Attached for your information is the list of Topics with suggested priorities to stimulate PRC(I) discussion. They have been assigned on the basis both of the importance of the Topic and in an effort to balance the demand on analytic resources. Would you please let [redacted] know in the next day or so what you think of the suggested priorities, particularly in your special areas of competence.

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